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4. Reorganization and Reduction of Personnel in Rural Areas

The reorganization and reduction of personnel in rural areas must be based on the austerity program set up by the East China Bureau in October 1947. Any organization contemplating membership increase must obtain approval from the Provincial Committee, the District Committee, and the East China Bureau. Those organizations whose functions are interrelated with others must reduce their membership according to the table of organization set up by the government. However, when a table of organization is unsuitable for present conditions, revisions may be made. The personnel of Nationalist Government offices should be dispersed at once to the farms in their neighborhood. A directive will be issued by the East China Military District with regard to the disposition of inactive armed forces as to whether they will be employed in bandit oppression or on the farms.

5. Reorganization in Military Forces

The size of all military units must not exceed that stipulated in the table of organizations. All nonessential personnel in military hospitals and forward and rear area organizations must be dispatched elsewhere.

6. Financial Retrenchment

All unauthorized spending of government funds will be strictly prohibited. Hereafter, expenditures for party activities in Shang-hai must be approved by the East China Bureau, expenditures for city governments must be approved by the finance committee of the East China Bureau, all military expenditures must be approved by the Military District Headquarters, and all expenditures within the East China area must be approved by the finance committee of the East China Bureau.

Government officials coming to Shang-hai from the Northeast, Central China, North China, the Northwest, and other areas for either official duty or hospitalization or pleasure must pay their own traveling expenses.

All government officials who are ill must receive treatment at government hospitals and not at private hospitals. When special treatment in a private hospital is needed, admittance must be approved by a government organization higher than that of the city.

Hereafter, the amount of food to be distributed will be unified throughout the area, workers wages will be standardized, economy in the use of daily necessities will be practiced whenever and wherever possible, waste materials will be recovered and used again, public properties will be protected and cared for, pleasures and entertainments will be discouraged, various unused materials will be recovered and utilized again, various state-owned enterprises and factories will be urged to become self-supporting; production output will be increased.

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